

Application No. 10/654378
Reply to Office Action July 26, 2005

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REMARKS

Applicant requests reconsideration of the application and of the pending claims. Claims 1 - 43 are currently pending in the application.

Claims 1-40, 42 and 43 were rejected under 35 USC § 102(e) as being anticipated by Campbell et al. (US20040102529). No other anticipatory art is cited.

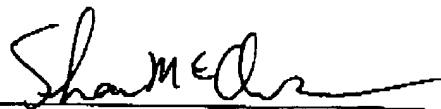
Applicant submits that the cited reference is co-pending, co-owned, and has the same assignee as the instant application. Further, there is commonality of inventorship. If indication is made of otherwise allowable subject matter, Applicant will file a late claim for priority to the reference to remove it as prior art under 35 USC § 102(e).

Applicant thus requests notice that if the cited art reference is removed as prior art under 35 USC § 102(e) the claims would be allowable.

Claim 41 would then, of course, be dependent on an allowable claim. This should remove the rejection to claim 41.

If other minor issues remain unresolved, the Examiner is invited to telephone the Applicant's counsel at the number provided below. Any additional fees for the accompanying response are hereby petitioned for, and the Director is authorized to charge such fees as may be required to Deposit Account 07-0868.

Respectfully submitted,



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